

## WATER RESOURCES ASSOCIATION OF YOLO COUNTY

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Rick Breitenbach CALFED Bay-Delta Program 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155 Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Breitenbach.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written comments on the CALFED Draft Programmatic EIS/EIR. Our association's comments are enclosed.

While we support CALFED's general goals of addressing water quality, levee integrity, water supply reliability, and environmental problems associated with the Delta, we do have a number of concerns.

WRA member agencies share the following areas of interest:

- 1. Maintaining local surface and groundwater for present and future use
- 2. Viability of agriculture
- 3. Full mitigation of third parties impacts from water transfers
- 4. Storage and conveyance needs

We do make beneficial use of the surface and groundwater in our basin. Our lifestyle and economy are based on what we do with the water through agricultural production and municipal, commercial and industrial uses. Although we do understand and care about the problems in the Delta, we did not create the problem and therefore should not be responsible for "fixing the Delta".

We do not see a solution for the Bay-Delta forthcoming without developing new storage facilities to

make water available to add to the Delta.

Cc:

Senator Maurice Johannessen Assemblywoman Helen Thomson

Enclosure

It It is completely unclear to us

from the Delta's water needs

can be addressed without

new Storage. Otherwise water

will be taken from existing

users which is unfair and

should be un no cessary. These

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